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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO APRIL 21, 2006 OFFICE ACTION AND
REQUEST FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

This Amendment is being submitted in response to April 21, 2006 Office Action, issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this Office Action was originally due on July 21, 2006. Applicants hereby enclose a check in the amount of ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS (\$120.00) for the payment of the one-month extension fee. Accordingly, the new deadline to file a response is August 21, 2006 and this Amendment is being timely filed.

Claim Amendment Fee Calculation

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Additional Fee
Total	16	Minus	20	0	X \$25.00	\$0.00
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